

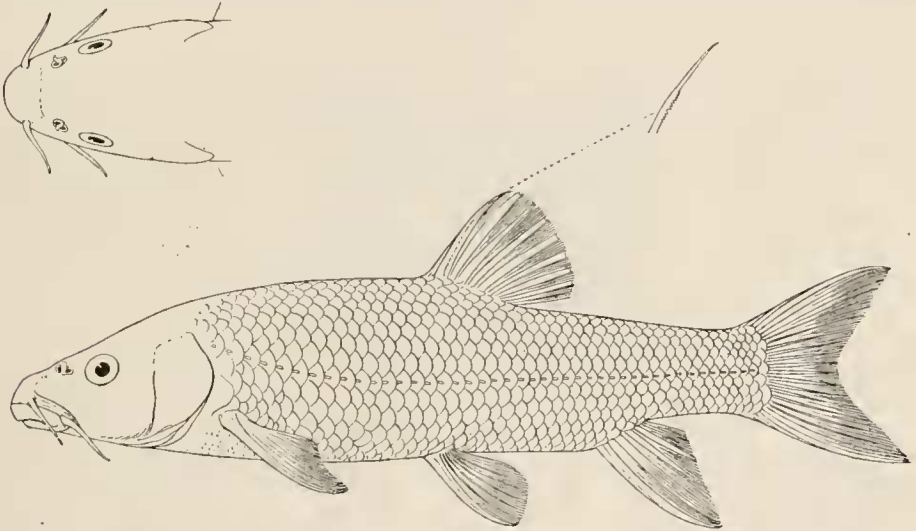
ANOTHER NEW *BARBUS* FROM MOROCCO.

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MR. RIGGENBACH, who has added much to our knowledge of the fresh-water fishes of Morocco, has recently made a small collection in the Wed Ksib, containing, along with *Anguilla vulgaris* and *Barbus callensis*, examples of a new species which I propose to name

*Barbus ksibi*.

Depth of body  $3\frac{2}{3}$  to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  times in total length; length of head  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $3\frac{3}{4}$  times. Snout obtusely pointed,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{4}$  times as long as eye: diameter of eye, 4 to 6 times in length of head; interorbital width  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times; mouth inferior, its width  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{2}{3}$  length of head; lips well developed, interrupted on the chin; barbels, two on each side, equal in length,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times to twice diameter of eye, longer than the distance between them. Dorsal III 7—8, last simple ray moderately strong, serrated at the base,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{2}{3}$  length of head; free edge of the fin convex; its



*Barbus ksibi*,  $\frac{1}{2}$  natural size, with upper view of head and detached third dorsal ray.

distance from the occiput equal to or slightly less than its distance from the caudal fin. And III 5, longest ray  $\frac{2}{3}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  length of head, reaching root of caudal or a little beyond. Pectoral about  $\frac{2}{3}$  length of head, not reaching ventral; latter a little shorter, below anterior rays of dorsal. Caudal peduncle about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  as long as deep. Scales 41—46  $\frac{8\frac{1}{2}-9\frac{1}{2}}{7\frac{1}{2}-8\frac{1}{2}}$ , 4 between lateral line and ventral, 18 or 20 round caudal peduncle. Brownish above, white beneath; fins white. Several specimens, measuring from 100 to 220 mm.

This species is closely allied to *B. setivimensis*, but easily distinguished by the convex shape of the dorsal fin and its weaker spine.